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BULGARIAN CUSTOMS OFFICIALS MOST GRATEFUL FOR INVITATION REFTEL TO PARTICIPATE IN AUGUST TRAINING PROGRAM IN US. THEY MUST, HOWEVER, DECLINE INVITATION SINCE CUSTOMS FORCE IS SHORTHANDED AND AUGUST IS PEAK WORKLOAD MONTH. CHIEF OF CUSTOMS, LAZUR BONEV, EXPLAINED THAT FOR COURSE TO BE MOST USEFUL IT SHOULD BE MIDDLE MANAGEMENT PEOPLE WHO COULD BRING BACK THEIR EXPERIENCE TO PASS ON TO LOWER RANKS. IT IS PRECISELY THESE PEOPLE, HOWEVER, THAT ARE IN SHORT SUPPLY IN SUMMER MONTHS. BULGARS SPECIFICALLY REQUESTED THAT EMBASSY REPORT THEIR CONTINUING INTEREST IN TRAINING IN US DESPITE THEIR REFUSAL THIS PARTICULAR COURSE. HERZ

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